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REMARKS

In response to the Office Action of March 18, 2004, the Applicant submits this Reply. In view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks, reconsideration is requested.

Claims 1, 3-5 and 7-23 remain in this application, of which claims 1, 7 and 13 are independent. (Nineteen (21) total claims of which three (3) are independent). Applicant previously paid for twenty (20) total claims, and three (3) independent claims. A fee for a single additional claim (\$18.00) is due for this amendment.

In the foregoing amendments, claims 1, 3-5, and 7-12 have been amended, claims 2 and 6 have been cancelled and claims 13-23 have been added.

In the Office Action, claims 1, 3, 5, 6, 11 and 12 were rejected. Claims 2, 4, and 7-10 were indicated as including allowable subject matter.

Allowable Subject Matter

Independent claims 1 has been rewritten to incorporate the subject matter of claim 2 and to make other minor typographical changes. Accordingly, claim 1 should be allowed. Claim 7 has been rewritten in independent form, incorporating the limitations of original claims 6 and 1 from which it depended. Other minor typographical changes also have been made. Accordingly, claim 7 should be allowed. The remaining claims 3-5 and 8-12 are dependent claims and thus are allowable for at least the same reasons.

Accordingly, the rejections of claims 1, 3, 5, 6, 11 and 12 are overcome.

New Claims

Claims 13-23 are new, of which claim 13 is independent. Claim 13 recites that "each time code used in the edit decision list has an associated video field indicator and pulldown phase of the indicated video field, and wherein the associated video field indicator and an indicator of the pulldown phase are stored in the edit decision list." Neither of the cited references teaches or suggests this limitation. Support for the limitations of claims 13-23 is found, *inter alia*, in Figs. 5-10 of the present application.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, this application should now be in condition for allowance. A notice to this effect is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes, after this reply, that the application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the Applicants' attorney at the telephone number listed below.

If this response is not considered timely filed and if a request for an extension of time is otherwise absent, Applicants hereby request any necessary extension of time. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, please charge any fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0876.

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